

IN THE CLAIMS

We Claim:

1. A local wireless communication network for digital audio players, the network comprising:

a host;

a first wireless communication platform coupled to said host; and ^{Fig 1}

one or more digital audio players having a second wireless communication platform coupled to each of said one or more digital audio players for establishing a communication link between said host and said one or more digital audio players. ^{Fig 2}

2. The network as recited in claim 1, wherein said host and said first wireless communication platform are configured as a gateway.

3. The network as recited in claim 2, wherein said host is a personal computing platform.

4. The network as recited in claim 2, wherein said host is a set top box.

5. The network as recited in claim 2, wherein said host is a stand alone audio gateway.

6. A local wireless communication network for digital audio players, the network comprising:

one or more digital audio players; and

one or more wireless communication platforms, said one or more wireless communication platforms coupled to said one or more digital audio players for establishing a communication link between at least two of said one or more digital audio players.